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## APPENDIX.

[Vide item III on page 314 supra.]

*Supplemental Note circulated to the Hon. Members of the Legislative Council for the food debate on 2nd September* 1950.

A copy of the statement on the present food situation in the State which was prepared in connexion with the debate on the food position, in the Legislative Assembly on the 10th August, has already been circulated to all the Hon. Members of this House. In that note, rather pessimistic picture was given of the situation which necessitated the reduction of the rice ration to six ounces, in the case of rice-eaters. The prospects have brightened up a bit since then. In the first place, we have had some widespread rainfall though a little late, in the several districts of the State, particularly in the predominantly dry districts where the rainfall is very badly needed and this has helped to give employment to the unemployed and also to start agricultural operations. Secondly, due to our repeated representations and also in their anxiety to come to the help of this State to the maximum extent possible, the Government of India have increased the allotments for the month of August and have also allotted substantial quotas for the month of September. They have also directed that these quotas will move on topmost priority. The total quantities of foodgrains originally allotted for the month of August by the Government of India and the quantity actually supplied by them are as shown below :—

| | Allotted. | Actually supplied. |
|---|---|---|
| | | TONS. |
| Rice .. .. .. .. | .. | 4,000 [a] |
| Wheat .. .. .. | 18,447 | 24,000 |
| Millets .. .. .. | 31,104 | 32,440 |

[a] This is in addition to 11,316 tons received from sources in India out of allotments already made by the Centre. Beside this, the Government of India made an increased allotment of 20,000 tons of rice from Madhya Pradesh and 3,000 tons from Uttar Pradesh.

For the current month, the original and increased allotment intimated by India is as follows :—

| | Original allotment. | Allotment as now increased. |
|---|---|---|
| Rice .. .. .. | 7,000 | 30,000 |
| Wheat .. .. .. | 35,000 | 35,195 |
| Millets .. .. .. | 42,000 | 44,855 |

The increased allotment of rice includes 10,000 tons of Burma rice which is intended for Ceylon and which the Government of India have been able to obtain as a loan from the Ceylon Government and divert to Madras. All the 10,000 tons will be received at

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Madras in a day or two. Apart from this, the State has yet to receive 39,211 tons of rice (as on 30th August 1950) from the other States within India, details for which are as follows :—

| | TONS. | | TONS. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Orissa .. .. | 10,638 | Uttar Pradesh .. | 3,500 |
| Vindhya Pradesh .. | 5,354 | West Bengal .. | 1,567 |
| Madhya Pradesh .. | 17,484 | Delhi .. .. | 668 |
| | | Total .. | 39,211 |

A Special Officer has been appointed by this Government and posted to North India to specially arrange for the despatch of these balances by means of special trains as far as possible. His latest report is to the following effect :—

Out of the 22,300 tons to be supplied by the Madhya Pradesh, the Madhya Pradesh Government have promised to give 5,000 tons immediately. Forty waggons per day have been promised by the Chief Director of Movements for moving this quantity. The movement is now going on and the despatch of the 5,000 tons was expected to be completed by the end of August. As regards the balance of 5,000 tons due from the Uttar Pradesh, it is reported that owing to floods in the State, the quantity is not immediately available, but that the Uttar Pradesh Government have promised to send 1,726 tons immediately. Twenty waggons per day have been allotted for the purpose and movement has already commenced. Against the 6,200 tons due from the Vindhya Pradesh, 3,500 tons will be completely moved by the first week of September. The despatch of the quota of 1,300 tons of rice from Delhi will be completed by the 4th of September.

The Special Officer has also contacted the officers of the Government of India who have promised to help him to obtain the balances still due from the other States as quickly as possible and to give necessary facilities for the movement by allotting adequate number of waggons.

The stock position of foodgrains in the State on 19th August 1950 was as follows :—

| | TONS. |
|---|---|
| Rice .. .. .. .. .. .. | 81,508 |
| Wheat and Maida .. .. .. .. | 17,865 |
| Millets .. .. .. .. .. .. | 13,210 |

At the rate of issue for the week-ending 19th August, these stocks are expected to last as follows :—

| | WEEKS. |
|---|---|
| Rice .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 |
| Wheat and Maida .. .. .. .. | 1½ |
| Millets .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1½ |

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The statement of stocks given above does not, however, include fairly large quantities that are actually in transit by rail. The following quantities of foodgrains are scheduled to arrive by sea in the first week of September :—

| | TONS. |
|---|---|
| Rice .. | 10,000 |
| Milo .. | 28,090 |
| Wheat | 17,195 |

The stock position will improve with the receipt of these quantities and of the balance of allotments still remaining to be received for the month of September.

A copy of the latest daily statement showing the stock position in the deficit districts, how long the present stocks will last and the quantities in transit to these districts is appended. Hon. Members will notice by comparing this statement with the one appended to the Printed Note that has been circulated to them already that the position in these districts has generally improved since then and with the receipt of the quotas for September already allotted by the Government of India, the position will improve still further.

With regard to procurement, also there has been a slight improvement since the 29th July when the weekly procurement of rice went down to 6,647 tons. The procurement during the succeeding weeks was as follows :—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Week ending | 5th August 1950 | 6,964 |
| ,, | 12th August 1950 | 7,517 |
| ,, | 19th August 1950 | 7,076 |

The Government have impressed on all the officers concerned the necessity to procure the balances out of the surpluses not yet delivered by the ryots and special steps in this direction are being taken. However, nothing appreciable can be expected till the next crop comes to harvest. Harvest of paddy crop on a limited scale has commenced in Tirunelveli, Tiruchirappalli, Mathurai, and one or two more districts. In the current month, there will be an appreciable harvest of paddy crop in the Malabar and South Kanara districts. Kuruvai crop will come to harvest in the Cauvery Delta area in October and the Rasangi and Basangi crops in the Circars at about the same time. The harvest of ragi has commenced in nine districts. The situation is bound to improve with these harvests and the Government are confident that they can see that there is no deterioration in the situation till then.

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## *Appendix.*

**Statement showing the stock position of rice and other foodgrains in several districts in the State as on 30th August 1950.**

| Districts. (1) | | | Stock on date of report. (2) | Number of days for which the stock will last. (3) | Total undespatched quotas (from internal Extra Provincial and overseas sources). (4) | Stocks that arrived on the previous day. (5) | Quantities in Transit. (6) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | *Bellary.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 560 | 19 | 757 | Nil. | 160 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 90 | 4 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 900 | 45 | .. | Nil. | Nil. |
| | | | 1,550 | | | | |
| | | | | *Chinglepul.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 990 | 18 | 4,292 | 140 | 105 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 49 | 2 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 252 | 7 | 239 | 277 | 209 A |
| | | | 1,291 | | | | |
| | | | | *Coimbatore.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 2,216 | 6 | 6,876 | Nil. | 2,488 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 1,819 | 6 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 2,494 | 9 | 4,701 | Nil. | 4,701 |
| | | | 6,529 | | | | |
| | | | | *Kurnool.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 635 | 24 | 750 | Nil. | 60 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 216 | 8 | Nil. | 7 | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 650 | 16 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| | | | 1,501 | | | | |
| | | | | *Mathurai.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 670 | 5 | 3,613 | Nil. | 774 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 179 | 1 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 1,299 | 18 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| | | | 2,148 | | | | |
| | | | | *Malabar.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 4,111 | 6 | 27,983 | 214 | 5,428 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 789 | 3 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 2,661 | 5 | 468 | 181 | 468 |
| | | | 7,561 | | | | |
| | | | | *Chittoor.* | | | |
| Rice | .. | .. | 452 | 7 | 870 | Nil. | 360 |
| Wheat | .. | .. | 55 | 6 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets | .. | .. | 90 | 9 | 460 | 40 | 490 |
| | | | 507 | | | | |

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| Districts. | Stock on date of report. (2) | Number of days for which the stock will last. (3) | Total undespatched quota (from internal, Extra Provincial and overseas sources). (4) | Stocks that arrived on the previous day. (5) | Quantities in transit. (6) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***North Arcot.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 1,233 | 3 | 1,721 | 26 | 588 |
| Wheat .. .. | 110 | 1 | Nil. | Nil. | .. |
| Millets .. .. | 477 | 3 | 1,545 | 360 | 1,515 |
| | 1,820 | | | | |
| ***Ramanathapuram.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 522 | 5½ | 6,214 | 15 | 1,230 |
| Wheat .. .. | 319 | 6 | Nil. | 50 | .. |
| Millets .. .. | 2,007 | 20 | Nil. | 110 | .. |
| | 2,848 | | | | |
| ***Salem.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 732 | 6 | 7,507 | 238 | 859 |
| Wheat .. .. | 159 | 3 | Nil. | Nil. | Nil. |
| Millets .. .. | 1,768 | 11 | 1,016 | Nil. | 1,016 |
| | 2,659 | | | | |
| ***South Kanara.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 1,321 | 8 | 2,625 | 260 | 2,527 |
| Wheat .. .. | 40 | 1 | Nil. | Nil. | .. |
| Millets .. .. | 360 | 7 | 220 | 360 | 220 |
| | 1,721 | | | | |
| ***The Nilgiris.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 530 | 10 | 1,224 | 20 | 691 |
| Wheat .. .. | 566 | 17 | .. | Nil. | .. |
| Millets .. .. | 834 | 55 | 443 | 154 | 443 |
| | 1,930 | | | | |
| ***Tiruchirappalli.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 1,938 | 20 | 800 | Nil. | Nil. |
| Wheat .. .. | 492 | 7 | .. | Nil. | .. |
| Millets .. .. | 618 | 5 | 50 | Nil. | 50 |
| | 3,048 | | | | |
| ***Tirunelveli.*** | | | | | |
| Rice .. .. | 649 | 3 | 7,290 | 20 | 1,721 |
| Wheat .. .. | 1,482 | 21 | .. | 20 | |
| Millets .. .. | 2,482 | 17½ | 1,102 | 390 | .. |
| | 4,613 | | | | |

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RICE.

*Malabar district.*—The District Supply Officers of Kakinada and Tadepalligudem have been instructed to accelerate despatches on topmost priority. Five thousand tons have also been allotted from Madhya Pradesh and the Assistant Marketing Officer instructed to despatch the quotas on highest priority.

One steamer carrying 6,053 tons of locally procured rice arrived at Tuticorin port from Kakinada on 29th August 1950 and the stocks are under movement to Tirunelveli, Ramanathapuram, Mathurai and Tiruchirappalli districts.

WHEAT.

The 4,500 tons of wheat which were received from two ships at Madras Port on 30th August 1950 are being taken delivery of and despatched to the various deficit areas. The despatches are expected to be completed in about four days time.

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